in ſeveral rows, in imitation of ſpikes, the whole forming a handſome bunch pendent on one ſide, at firſt of a very pale greeniſh white, brown when ripe; and the ſeeds, when diſcharged, appear as if covered with a brown duſt.

There is a variety with compound or branched leaves, *ſee Ger. Em.* 406. *fig.* 3.

Oſmunda Lunaria grows amongſt graſs in cold meadows and paſtures.

In paſtures about Cold Edge, in Mixenden; in a ſmall croft cloſe by the houſe at Ball-Green, Sowerby; in the fields near Holy-Green, Northowram; and ſome other places in the neighbourhood of Halifax.

The plant is in its greateſt perfection the firſt or ſecond week in July.

On the ninth day of June 1785, I gathered on the top of an high bank of paſture ground, belonging to Shibden-Hall, near Halifax, a variety of Oſmunda Lunaria, with leaves ſhaped like a lady's fan when fully expanded, divided by narrow ſections running almoſt down to the baſe into four or five lobes, which are deeply crenated at their extremities.